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SUBJECT: ALPHA HELIX EXPEDITION

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1. ALL CONCERNED HAPPY TO RECEIVE NOTIFICATION OF APPROVAL
FOR EXPEDITION.

2. AT A RECENT MEETING AT NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION
DR. SCHULTES, PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR FOR PHASE VII,
DESCRIBED PLANNED PHASE VII GOC PARTICIPATION. LIMITED
SIZE OF ALPHA HELIX AND SMALL SHORE CAMP FORCES SCHULTES
INTO LIMITING GOC PARTICIPANTS TO THREE SCIENTISTS. WITH
THE ADDITION OF THE NAVAL OBSERVER THE TOTAL IS FOUR. NO
OTHER ACCOMMODATIONS ARE AVAILABLE WITHOUT PLACING
OBJECTIVES OF THE RESEARCH IN PERIL. DURING DR. SCHULTES
RECENT TRIP TO COLOMBIA HE HAD DISCUSSIONS WITH CARRIZOSA
(INDERENA), SOTO (INA), AND PINTO (ICN). THEIR PREFER-
ENCES FOR PARTICIPANTS WITH SCHULTES' CONCURRENCE ARE
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PABLO LEYVA (INDERENA), HORATIO CALLE (INA), AND FERNANDEZ

PEREZ AND IDROBO (ICN - ONE MONTH EACH). IF THESE INDIVIDUALS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE REPRESENTATIVES, PLEASE REQUEST THE GOC TO IDENTIFY PREFERRED ALTERNATES. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE PARTICIPATION ISSUE BE FIRMED UP AS

RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE TO PERMIT LOGISTICAL PLANNING AND TO ENABLE DR. SCHULTES TO CORRESPOND WITH THE PARTICIPANTS TO ENHANCE AND COORDINATE MUTUAL OBJECTIVES.

3. ALPHA HELIX IS PRESENTLY ANCHORED AT 4 DEGREES 21.5 ' S. 70 DEGREES 01.1' W OR APPROXIMATELY .5 MILES FROM THE DOCK IN LETICIA ON A BEARING 140 DEGREES TRUE. SHIP WILL COMPLETE PHASE II OPERATIONS AND DEPART COLOMBIAN WATERS ON AUGUST 8. PHASE VII WILL BEGIN ON MARCH 14, 1977 AND END ON MAY 14, 1977. PHASE VII DATES ARE TENTATIVE. KISSINGER

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